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TO: Cleaire Customers

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR DIESEL FLEETS ON CLEAIRE ADVANCED

EMISSION CONTROLS (CLEAIRE) CEASING OPERATIONS

It is our understanding that Cleaire Advanced Emission Controls, Incorporated (Cleaire) ceased operations on Friday, January 18, 2013. This letter is to inform you that the California Air Resources Board (ARB) will work closely with fleets, dealers, and parts suppliers to minimize the impact of the Cleaire closure. Fleet owners that have retrofit devices from other manufacturers are not affected by this situation.

It is paramount that the safety concerns with the Cleaire LongMile™ system are immediately addressed. ARB is working directly with Cleaire distributors, installers, and other authorized representatives to address this issue. Additionally, ARB will ensure that fleets are not put in jeopardy of noncompliance with ARB in-use fleet rules as a result of these developments, and is working with Cleaire distributors, installers, and other authorized representatives so that impacts on warranty service and the availability of replacement parts is minimized.

ARB is providing the attached guidance to affected fleets using Cleaire retrofit devices on vehicles and equipment operating in California. We will update this guidance as additional information becomes available, and have developed a dedicated webpage for information at http://www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/verdev/companies/cleaire/cleairepage.htm. Additionally, as part of this effort, ARB is working with other device manufacturers to assess how they may be able to help affected fleets.

ARB is committed to working with all stakeholders to ensure that updated information is available in an accessible and timely manner. If you have any additional questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact ARB at (866) 6-DIESEL, or via email 8666DIESEL@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

Robert H. Cross, M.S.M.E., P.E. Chief, Mobile Source Control Division

Attachment

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

California Environmental Protection Agency

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Owners of Cleaire Devices (not including the LongMile™, Allmetal™, and Cleaire Muffler Module (CMM)™ Products)

- Horizon™
- Longview[™]
- Vista™

- LongMile-S™
- Phoenix™
- Lonestar™
- Skyline™
- Flash and Match™
- Flash and Catch™

Vehicles that have the Cleaire devices listed above which were installed in a verified configuration will continue to meet applicable in-use fleet rule requirements. ARB is contacting Cleaire distributors, installers, and other authorized representatives regarding continued product warranty and replacement part support. The installation warranty protections are unaffected by the current situation for products installed by a third party (i.e., an independent installer). As always, please contact your installer with any questions, warranty claims, or service needs for your Cleaire product.

Owners of Cleaire LongMile™, Allmetal™, and CMM™ Products

The Cleaire LongMile™ and CMM™ products are subject to a voluntary recall described in a regulatory advisory that can be found on the following ARB webpage: http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/mailouts/msc1220/msc1220.pdf. ARB is allowing vehicles that are impacted by the recall to remain in compliance with the in-use fleet rules provided the appropriate documentation, previously provided by Cleaire, is carried with the affected vehicle at all times. For fleet operators that have had the LongMile™ or Allmetal™ filter component replaced with the CMM™ product, no further action is needed at this time, and these vehicles may continue to be operated. For fleet operators that have not yet had the LongMile™ filter component replaced with the CMM™ product, ARB is working to ensure that all LongMile™ filters are replaced with the CMM™ product or another compliant product as quickly as possible. ARB reminds fleets that still use the LongMile™ product that it is critically important to closely monitor the operational status of their product and heed all safety requirements, as described in the owner's manual. As always, please contact your installer with any questions, warranty claims, or service needs for your Cleaire product.

Orders For Cleaire Products That Have Not Yet Been Installed

ARB is working with affected fleets that have pending, documented orders for Cleaire products regarding compliance with any applicable ARB in-use fleet rule. Many other verified technologies are available, and cover the same vehicles as the Cleaire product line. Affected fleets are encouraged to consider other available technologies and should carefully discuss these options with their installer prior to placing or completing a sales order. A list of other available technologies may be found at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/verdev/vt/cvt.htm, For general information on selecting, maintaining and using verified devices and more, please visit http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/decsinstall/decsinstall.htm.